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- Certification § 40.2(a)
- Certification Security Futures § 41.23(a)
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- Approval Security Futures § 41.23(b)
- Novel Derivative Product Notification § 40.12(a)
- Swap Submission § 39.5

**Official Product Name:**

**Product Terms and Conditions (product related Rules and Rule Amendments)**

- Certification § 40.6(a)
- Certification Made Available to Trade Determination § 40.6(a)
- Certification Security Futures § 41.24(a)
- Delisting (No Open Interest) § 40.6(a)
- Approval § 40.5(a)
- Approval Made Available to Trade Determination § 40.5(a)
- Approval Security Futures § 41.24(c)
- Approval Amendments to enumerated agricultural products § 40.4(a), § 40.5(a)
- "Non-Material Agricultural Rule Change" § 40.4(b)(5)
- Notification § 40.6(d)

Official Name(s) of Product(s) Affected:

Rule Numbers:



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**VIA ELECTRONIC PORTAL**

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**RE: Modifications to the CME E-Micro FX Market Maker Program  
CME Submission No. 15-553**

Dear Mr. Kirkpatrick:

Chicago Mercantile Exchange Inc. ("CME" or "Exchange") hereby notifies the Commodity Futures Trading Commission ("CFTC" or "Commission") of modifications to an existing market making program for E-Micro Foreign Exchange ("FX") futures contracts that are traded on Globex® ("Program"). The proposed modifications to the Program will become effective on January 1, 2016.

Exhibit 1 sets forth the terms of this Program. The modifications appear below, with additions underscored and deletions ~~overstruck~~.

CME reviewed the designated contract market core principles ("Core Principles") as set forth in the Commodity Exchange Act ("CEA"). During the review, CME staff identified the following Core Principles as potentially being impacted; Prevention of Market Disruption, Execution of Transactions, Protection of Market Participants, Compliance with Rules, and Recordkeeping.

The Program and proposed modifications will not impact the Exchange's ability to perform its trade practice and market surveillance obligations under the CEA and the Exchange's market regulation staff will monitor trading in the Program's products to prevent manipulative trading and market abuse. Additionally, the Exchange has implemented systems to track Program participants' obligations under the Program to ensure proper distribution of earned incentives. The incentives in the Program do not impact the Exchange's order execution. Participants in the Program will be selected by Exchange staff using criteria as further stated in Exhibit 1. Chapter 4 of the CME rules includes prohibitions against fraudulent, non-competitive, unfair or abusive practices. All participants must execute a contractual agreement with the Exchange in which each participant will expressly agree to comply with and be subject to, applicable regulations and CME rules. The Program is subject to the Exchange's record retention policies which comply with the CEA.

CME certifies that the Program and the modifications to the Program comply with the CEA and the regulations thereunder. There were no substantive opposing views to this Program or the proposed modifications.

The Exchange certifies that this submission has been concurrently posted on the Exchange's website at <http://www.cmegroup.com/market-regulation/rule-filings.html>.

If you require any additional information regarding this submission, please e-mail [CMEGSubmissionInquiry@cmegroup.com](mailto:CMEGSubmissionInquiry@cmegroup.com) or contact Rachel Johnson at 312-466-4393 or via e-mail at [Rachel.Johnson@cmegroup.com](mailto:Rachel.Johnson@cmegroup.com). Please reference our CME Submission No. 15-553 in any related correspondence.

Sincerely,

/s/ Christopher Bowen  
Managing Director and Chief Regulatory Counsel

Attachment: Exhibit 1

# EXHIBIT 1

## CME E-Micro FX Market Maker Program

### Program Purpose

The purpose of this Program is to incent market makers to enhance liquidity in the products listed below. The resulting increase in central limit order book liquidity for E-Micro FX futures on the CME Globex® platform benefits all participants segments in the market.

### Product Scope

The following CME E-Micro FX futures products available for trading on the Globex® Platform (“Products”):

E-micro AUD/USD Futures	E-micro USD/CHF Futures
E-micro GBP/USD Futures	E-micro CAD/USD Futures
E-micro USD/CAD Futures	E-micro CHF/USD Futures
E-micro EUR/USD Futures	E-micro JPY/USD Futures
E-micro USD/JPY Futures	E-micro USD/RMB Futures

### Eligible Participants

CME may designate up to ten (10) participants in the Program. Participants can be CME members or non-members. Potential participants are required to submit an application/bid sheet to the Exchange which is used to determine eligibility. CME staff will use a variety of factors in determining whether or not a prospective market maker is selected to participate in the Program, including past performance in E-Micro FX futures and the ability to commit to and maintain at least the required quoting obligations. Notwithstanding the forgoing, CME may, from time to time, add to or subtract from the factors listed above as it deems necessary.

### Program Term

Start date is March 22, 2009. End date is ~~December 31, 2015~~ December 31, 2016.

### Hours

RTH, ETH, ATH

### Obligations

Program participants must provide two-sided electronic markets in the Products at maximum bid-ask spreads and minimum quote sizes during designated hours of RTH, ETH and/or ATH.

### Program Incentives

Upon satisfying all Program obligations, as determined by the Exchange, each Program participant shall be eligible for the following incentives:

Fee Waivers. CME shall waive ~~all~~ of market maker's ~~CME Globex® execution and clearing~~ all-in fees for the Products traded through the market-making account(s).

Messaging Policy Waiver. CME shall waive market makers' messaging policy. CME reserves the right to limit a market maker's messaging if CME deems, in CME's sole discretion, that a market maker's messaging is excessive.

### **Monitoring and Termination of Status**

The Exchange shall monitor trading activity and participants' performance and shall retain the right to revoke Program participant status if it concludes from review that a Program participant no longer meets the eligibility requirements or fails to meet the obligations of the Program.